

trim plate. Added structure to a chair back to provide such access to the interior of a chair back is thereby avoided [as well as detracting] which would detract from chair appearance.

[A] The retainer member is biased into contact with a post [mounted sleeve] bearing of synthetic material to provide infinite post adjustment in a controlled manner.

Replace the paragraph on page 3, lines 3 to 7 as follows:

In the accompanying drawings wherein applied reference numerals indicate parts hereinafter identified, the reference numeral 1 indicates generally a fragment of a chair back which may be the back of a dental chair or that of another type of chair for example a vehicle seat. Figure 1 discloses an upholstery component 2. A reference numeral 3 indicates the chair back outer component which is typically of formed metal.

Replace the paragraph on page 3, line 8 to line 15 as follows:

A channel 4 extends upwardly along the [length] interior of seat back 3 with channel flanges 4A-4B secured to back 3 as by welds. Channel 4 and seat back 3 define an elongate open area or guideway 9 for the reception of a post 5 of a headrest assembly which includes a headrest proper at 6. Post 5 corresponds generally in section to the space defined by channel 4 and the seat back to enable rectilinear positioning of post 5 to locate headrest 6 a specific distance from the chair or seat bottom (not shown) to accommodate as for example, successive dental patients during a work day. At the upper terminus of channel 4 are tabs 7 each with a nut 8 secured thereto.

Replace the paragraph on page 3, line 16 to line 3 on page 4 as follows:

A retainer assembly [located] indicated generally at 12 is within the chair back and  
has a screw 16 with a head for the reception of a tool for adjustment purposes as later  
described. A channel flange 20 carries a threaded element 21 for reception of screw 16 the  
lower end of which bears upon an arm 22. An arm end 22A is displaceable relative a side 5A  
of post 5. A proximal end segment 23 of arm 22 is moveably mounted on a flange 25 with [a  
stud] an end 24 [on] of the arm projecting through an oversized opening 25A in flange 25.  
The somewhat elongate, oversized opening 25A permits limited arcuate movement of  
retainer arm 22 in a plane containing post 5. Flange 4B defines an opening 19 to receive  
distal end 22A of arm 22.

Replace the paragraph on page 4, line 4 to line 13 as follows:

A bearing sleeve at 26 is shown partially formed in Fig. 6 seats within an upper end  
segment of channel 4 and provides for smooth, uninterrupted travel of post 5. A flanged  
segment 27 of the sleeve when installed in channel 4 is intermediate retainer arm distal end  
22A and post side 5A. The bearing sleeve, best shown in Figures 6 and 7, is formed of a  
suitable synthetic material such as polypropylene with fold grooves at 28 enabling folding of  
the material into a shape of [rectangular] angular cross section. When folded, an ear 29 of  
the sleeve extends outwardly from a side of the bearing for reception within a notched  
portion of channel flange 4A to fix sleeve bearing 26 within the channel. With attention again  
to bearing flanged segment 27, flexibility of the segment is enhanced by slotting of the fold  
line at 30. Accordingly, lengthwise manual positioning of post 5 to set headrest height is  
accomplished against the constant resistance of arm biased bearing segment 27.

Replace the paragraph on page 4, line 14 to line 20 as follows:

Per Fig. 3, a trim plate at 31 on the chair back defines an opening 32 for passage of post 5. Trim plate fasteners at 33 and 34 engage tabs 7 and nut elements 8. Adjustment of threaded member 16 to vary the biasing action of retainer arm 22 and specifically arm end 22A acting on flanged segment 27 and on post 5 would be infrequent and achieved upon removal of fastener 34 leaving aligned openings in trim plate 31 and tab 7, the nut 8 thereon to permit insertion of a tool 35 for engagement with the upper end of adjustable member 16. Tool 35, as shown in Figure 4, may have an hexagonal end for driving engagement with adjustable member 16.